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Examiner: Long Nguyen Shuler, Robert Group Art Unit: 2816 Application No.: 09/840,683 Confirmation No. 5289 Filed: April 20, 2001 METHOD AND APPARATUS For: FOR REDUCING THE **VULNERABILITY OF LATCHES** TO SINGLE EVENT UPSETS

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## **ELECTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office action and restriction dated December 3, 2001 in the above-identified case, Applicant enters the following election of species. Applicant provisionally elects for examination the species identified as Group I, corresponding to Figures 6, 11A, 11B, and 13. Applicant considers that Claims 8-13 and 30-37 correspond to this species.

Applicant believes that the foregoing comprises a full and complete response to the referenced Office Action. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and subsequent allowance of the pending claims is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has questions or suggestions concerning the

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application or categorization of claims applicable to this species, or feels that an interview would advance the examination process, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the direct dial number printed below.

Respectfully,

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